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In Re Application of:

RALSTON et al.

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Serial No.: 09/929,782

Art Unit: 1648

Filing Date: August 13, 2001

Examiner: Hill, Myron G.

Title: ANTIBODIES TO HEPATITIS C VIRUS  
ASIALOGLYCOPROTEINS

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is an amendment in the above patent application in response to the Office Action of April 7, 2004.

X Applicants request an extension of time for 3 months from July 7, 2004 to October 7, 2004. Enclosed is a check to cover the fee.

— No additional fee is required.

X Also enclosed: Notice of Appeal with fee and Return Postcard.

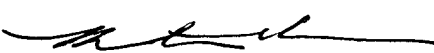
| No. of Claims After<br>Amendment                                    |    |   | Most Claims<br>Previously Paid |   |   | Extra<br>Claims |       |   | Additional Fee |     |
|---|----|---|--------------------------------|---|---|-----------------|-------|---|----------------|-----|
| A. Total Claims   | 15 | - | 43                             | = | 0 | x               | \$18  | = | \$0            |     |
| B. Ind. Claims  | 1  | - | 10                             | = | 0 | x               | \$88  | = | \$0            |     |
| C. If amended to contain multiple dependent claims, add 300         |    |   |                                |   |   |                 | \$300 | = | \$0            |     |
| D. Total Amendment Fee (Total of A, B & C)                          |    |   |                                |   |   |                 |       |   | =              | \$0 |
| E. If small entity, 50% reduction of Total Amendment Fee (50% of D) |    |   |                                |   |   |                 |       |   | =              | \$0 |
| F. Total Amendment Fee (D minus E)                                  |    |   |                                |   |   |                 |       |   | =              | \$0 |

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Respectfully submitted,

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